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PLLIP-SIS MEMBER NEWS FOR JANUARY 2022

WHAT PLLIP MEMBERS ARE UP TO – NEW POSITIONS, ARTICLES, PRESENTATIONS

- PLLIP Picks: Diversity Summit Edition ([available here](#)) with titles recommended this month by **Holly M. Riccio** (PLLIP Summit Committee), **Abby Dos Santos** (Diversity Summit Co-Chair) and **Rachel Lyles** (Diversity Summit Committee).
- **Kwame Boateng** (Research Librarian, McNeese, Wallace & Nurick) worked with a team at the World Bank on a report that assesses laws and regulations affecting the lives of sexual and gender minorities in 16 countries. The report was launched at the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly ([available here](#)).
- **Greg Lambert** (Chief Knowledge Services Officer, Jackson Walker LLP), and **Marlene Gebauer** (Director of Knowledge Management, Locke Lord LLP) spoke at HBR Consulting's 2021 LINKS (Legal Information + Knowledge Services) Conference and was reported by HBR Consulting's **Joanne Kiley** ([available here](#)).
- **Amanda Marshall** was promoted to Senior Legal Researcher (BakerHostetler).
- **Alexis Branham** was promoted to Content Integration Analyst (BakerHostetler).
- **Jaime Klausner** was promoted to Training and Content Integration Manager (BakerHostetler).
- **Cynthia Brown** (Senior Director, Research Services, Littler Mendelson) co-hosted the AALL Coffee Chat on the 11th of January entitled "Working Remotely, Permanently."
- **Michelle Trovillo** (Senior Manager, Legal Content Services, BakerHostetler), participated as a subject matter expert in AALL's new self-paced course, "Strategic Thinking for Law Librarians," is now available on AALL's eLearning platform. This 60-minute course will teach law library professionals—at any level—how to employ strategic thinking for impactful decision-making ([available here](#)).
- **Eugene M. Giudice** (Senior Research Services Training Specialist, Dentons) led a webinar for the Illinois Paralegal Association on virtual notary services, specifically best practices, how to deal with special circumstances and the future of virtual notary services in Illinois on 19 January 2022.
- The January/February 2022 edition of AALL Spectrum's Leader Profile featured **Ramon Barajas Jr.** (Director of Library Services, Alston & Bird LLP) ([available here](#)).
- Reference Desk: The Great Resignation: Finding Success in a New Job was written by **Miriam Childs** (Director of the Law Library of Louisiana Supreme Court in New Orleans, Louisiana), **Andre Davison** (Operations Implementation Manager, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP) and Scott Vanderlin (Student Services Librarian, University of Chicago D'Angelo Law Library) in the January/February 2022 edition of AALL Spectrum ([available here](#)).



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UPCOMING WEBINARS

WHAT IS CRITICAL RACE THEORY (BLL-SIS)

Date: Monday, February 14, 2022 (12pm - 1pm US/Central)

Join us on Monday, February 14 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CST) for a discussion on critical race theory—what is it, why are so many people talking about it, and why the answers to both are so important. This webinar is open to all AALL members.

([Click here to register.](#))

GRANT FUNDING FOR LAW LIBRARIES

Date: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 (11am - 12pm US/Central)

This program will provide tools and tips for how to identify, apply, and win grants to support your organization. You will hear inspiring success stories from law librarians and legal information professionals who have received grant funding, and gain insight about how to get the funding you need. The session will also explore how to find potential grant opportunities at the federal, state, and local levels.

([Click here to register.](#))

LIVE INTERVIEW SERIES: SO, YOU WANNA CREATE AN INCLUSIVE WORKPLACE? PART 1: CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Date: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 (12pm - 1pm US/Central)

This is the first in a two-part series about creating an inclusive workplace. The focus of this part is cultural diversity; the focus of the second part (in March) will be invisible disabilities. In this “So, You Wanna . . .?” episode, Sabrina A. Davis will interview Danne L. Johnson, a law professor at Oklahoma City University School of Law and a co-founder of Our Work, LLC, a collective of highly trained women working on the topics of race, racial trauma, employee engagement, diversity, inclusion, intercultural development, and belonging. This interview will explore how managers, supervisors, and employees can make the workplace more welcoming for all. Topics will include: (1) defining diversity, inclusion, and culture; (2) the power of assumptions and curiosity; and, (3) unspoken cultural cues.

([Click here to register.](#))

2022 DIVERSITY SUMMIT: THE POWER OF INTERSECTIONALITY

Date: Friday, February 25, 2022 (11:30am - 5:30pm US/Eastern)

The Private Law Librarians & Information Professionals SIS (PLLIP-SIS) and Black Law Librarians SIS (BLL-SIS) are excited to announce the 2022 Diversity Summit: The Power of Intersectionality. After a successful inaugural summit where we explored conversations about race and diversity in our profession and in our lives, the second annual Diversity Summit will delve into the concept of intersectionality and focus on its importance in diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility efforts.

The Diversity Summit will be held as a virtual event on Friday, February 25, 2022. The event will begin at 11:30 am Eastern/8:30 am Pacific and end at 5:30 pm Eastern/2:30 pm Pacific.



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*MAXIMIZING LEGAL ANALYTICS AS A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE IN STATE TRIAL COURTS
(TRELIS PARTNER WEBINAR)*

Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 (2pm - 3pm US/Central)

Join AALL and Trellis for an engaging presentation as we cover how legal analytics enables your team to analyze the behavior and history of your judge, competitive counsel, prospects and clients to gain crucial insights into litigation history and ruling tendencies. We'll show you how to leverage state trial court - and verdict - data to be more efficient, more proactive, and achieve better results for your firm and clients. You'll learn how to maximize legal analytics for your firm to gain a competitive advantage, win cases and bring in more money when litigating in state trial courts.

[\(Click here to register.\)](#)

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